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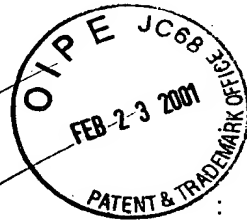
IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 8, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 3 and amend Claim 1 as follows:

--1. (Amended) A pipe whose [at least] interior wall structural component is comprised of:

- I. from 40 to 80 parts by weight of a polyamide, and
- II. from 60 to 20 parts by weight of a flexible polymer whose main chain consists of carbon atoms, where the amounts of I and II in parts by weight total 100, and wherein the interior wall component comprises not more than 2% by weight of extractables, measured by extracting the granules with hot 100% ethanol under

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